



The Vice Admirals Cup 2020

15th – 17th May 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY: ROYAL OCEAN RACING CLUB

The notation '(DP)' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. (RRS) 2017 - 2020
- 1.2 National Authority Prescriptions; the Prescriptions of the RYA will apply. (<http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/racingrules/pages/the-rules.aspx>)
- 1.3 Class Rules; the rules and regulations of appropriate one design and/or class rules and IRC Rules parts A, B and C will apply. (DP)
- 1.4 Where Class Rules do not specify mandatory safety equipment, 2019-2020 World Sailing Inshore regulations; Appendix B inshore racing will apply. All boats are required to have a working VHF. (DP)

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with class rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the organising authority. (DP)

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to the following classes

Class	Rating
Performance 40	IRC
HP30	IRC
J/111	One Design
J/109	One Design
Quarter Ton	IRC
J/70	One Design
SB20	One Design

- 3.2 Eligible boats should enter using the RORC online entry system (Sailgate) <https://rorc.sailgate.com>
- 3.3 Each class requires a minimum of 6 entries to be eligible for racing.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Entry fees are as shown in the entry system <https://rorc.sailgate.com>
- 4.2 When entries or entry fees are received after Friday 7th May 2020, they may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Royal Ocean Racing Club and will be subject to an additional fee of half of the standard entry fee.

5 SCHEDULE

The Proposed schedule is as follows:

5.1 J/111, J/109, HP30, and Quarter Ton

Date	Time	Event	HW Portsmouth
Friday 15 th May	1125	First warning signal	0615 3.9m
Saturday 16 th May	1025	First warning signal	0731 3.6m
Sunday 17 th May	1025	First warning signal	0843 3.7m

The event will consist of up to eight races for J/111, J/109, HP30, and Quarter Ton classes.

5.2 Performance 40, SB20 and J/70 classes

Date	Time	Event	HW Portsmouth
Saturday 16 th May	1025	First warning signal	0731 3.6m
Sunday 17 th May	1025	First warning signal	0843 3.7m

The event will consist of up to six races for Performance 40, SB20 and J/70 classes.

5.3 On Sunday 17th May 2020 no warning signal will be made after 1430hrs.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be emailed to each competitor on the 7th May 2020.

7 COURSES

7.1 Racing will take place in the Solent, in two separate groups using a variety of windward/leeward and /or round the buoys course.

8 PENALTIES

8.1 For all classes the SIs will state that RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

9 SCORING

9.1 One race shall be completed to constitute a series.

9.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3 When four or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

10.1 Boats shall be afloat by 08:30 on their first scheduled day of racing and not hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. (DP)

11 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. (DP)

12 PRIZES

12.1 The prize giving will be held as soon as possible in the RORC Clubhouse Cowes, after racing and any subsequent protests on Sunday 17th May 2020. The target time is 16:00 Hrs.

13 RISK STATEMENT

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, the attention of Persons in Charge is drawn to fundamental rule 4 'the responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone'. Sailing is by nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.

- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission.
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- e) The provision of a race management team and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for this event.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Boats shall be adequately and suitably insured with valid third party liability insurance before racing.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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